

December 17, 2018

Dear St. Xavier community,

We write today to inform you of an announcement by the U.S. Midwest Province of the Society of Jesus. Under the direction of Father Provincial Brian Paulson, SJ, the Province has released the names, to date, of all Jesuit priests, brothers and scholastics under the jurisdiction of the Province who have been the subject of established allegations of sexual abuse against minors during the period from 1955 until the present.

The release of names includes:

Fr. Mark A Finan, SJ, who was the subject of established allegations of sexual abuse with minors at St. Xavier High School during his tenure at St. Xavier High School.

				Jesuit institution where the	
	Date of	Date of	Year of	Jesuit was missioned at the	
NAME	Birth	Entrance	Incident	time of the incident(s)	Status
Fr. Mark A. Finan SJ	3/22/1916	8/7/1934	1964-1965	St. Xavier High School	Dismissed
					4/13/1973
					Deceased 1993

Fr. James A. Condon, SJ, who was the subject of established allegations of sexual abuse with a minor, who was not a St. Xavier student, during his tenure at St. Xavier High School.

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	Date of	Date of	Year of	Jesuit was missioned at the	
NAME	Birth	Entrance	Incident	time of the incident(s)	Status
Fr. James A. Condon SJ	6/12/1906	9/20/1926	1965	St. Xavier High School	Deceased
					3/28/1993

As we look through the list, eight Jesuits (listed below) assigned to St. Xavier High School were named, although their abuse did not occur at St. Xavier High School. It is important to note that they served at the school at some point in their career, but there were no established allegations during their service at St. Xavier High School.

Fr. Harry Barton, SJ (1942-1948 and 1961-1966), Fr. Robert Broome, SJ (1946-1948), Fr. Robert Erpenbeck, SJ (1945 and 1975-1980), Fr. Allan Kirk, SJ (1969), Fr. Don Nastold, SJ (1968-1975), Fr. Edward O'Brien, SJ (1946-1948), Fr. Wilton Skiffington, SJ (1938-1941) and Fr. Stanley Wisniewski, SJ (1958).

To view the complete list of names posted on the U.S. Midwest Province of the Society of Jesus' website, please click here. Click here to report an allegation of abuse.

We are committed to a culture of safety and protection for the care of all members of our community, especially our precious children, who are among God's greatest gifts. Our policy and practice for any accusation is to fully cooperate with law enforcement, the appropriate child protective agency, the U.S. Midwest Province and the Cincinnati Archdiocese in pursuing justice. St. Xavier High School would fully cooperate with the investigation and would also provide pastoral, ministerial care to the victim.

Nothing is more important than the well being of our students. St. Xavier High School operates under strict policies and guidelines, which are regularly reviewed and improved upon, to ensure a safe and secure environment for students. We are vigilant in prevention and reporting with a keen sense of awareness and procedures to protect each and every young man.

If you or anyone you know has felt victimized by a Jesuit or any St. Xavier employee, please contact law enforcement, child protection, and us directly at treilly@stxavier.org or ttyrrell@stxavier.org. We are available to assist in any way necessary. In addition, victims should contact Ms. Marjorie O'Dea, the Province Director of the Office of Safe Environment at 773.975.6876 or by mail at the USA Midwest Province, 1010 North Hooker Street, Chicago, Illinois 60642.

Please join us in praying for the healing of anyone who may have been victimized by such abuse and, in many cases, have lived in darkness and pain for too long. Let us be resolved in our faith to seek justice, care for the wounded and commit to the healing message of the Gospel.

God bless,

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